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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—E. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane,
Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET &
Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH,
Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HARDY
& Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.O. SAMUEL,
DRACON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall
Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSY,
19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nar-
row Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GOODE & GOODE, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Fran-
cisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE &
Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEMMERS
& Co., Manila.

CHINA.—Macao, MESSRS. A. A. DE MELLO
& Co., Macao; CAMPBELL & Co.,
Amoy; WILSON, NICHOLS & Co.,
Foochow; HEDGES & Co., Shanghai;
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY
& WALSH, Yokohama; LANE, CRAW-
FORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND,.....1,400,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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Hongkong,....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County
Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent.
" 12 " 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND.....£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,
PARIS.

AGENCEES AND BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed
Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on
application, grants Drafts and Credits on
all parts of the World, and transacts every
description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-
POSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " 4% "
" 12 " 5% "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which
may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AU-
STRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL,.....£800,000.
RESERVE FUND,.....£150,000.
Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG
grants Drafts on London and the
Chief Commercial places in Europe and the
East; buys and receives for collection Bills
of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of
Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-
POSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per
annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent.
" 12 " 5 per cent.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK
OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are
allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent.
" 3 " 2 per cent.

H. H. NELSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA,
LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies'
Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£465,250.
RESERVE FUND.....£20,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—39A, THREADNEEDLE
STREET, LONDON, E.C.

Hongkong, December 2, 1879.

LONDON BANKERS:—

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

INTEREST allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the
daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS
according to arrangement—the maximum
rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Entertainment.

FANCY BAZAAR.

THE French SISTERS of CHARITY
respectfully invite all their Friends
to visit the Bazaar on behalf of the CHINESE
ORPHANS UNDERR THEIR CARE. The Inau-
guration will take place at the FRENCH
CONVENT, QUEEN'S ROAD, Wanchi, on
SATURDAY, the 13th Inst., at 3 p.m.,
and will close on TUESDAY Evening.

Hongkong, December 9, 1879.

KO SING THEATRE.

A N Interesting and Skilful PERFORMANCE
played by the Chinese Actor
SAH T SAI YUNG
of the Po Yee I CLASS

will be held in KO SING THEATRE, No.
119, QUEEN'S ROAD, West Point.

TO-MORROW EVENING,

13th Inst., commencing at 9 o'clock.

GREAT TREAT IN STORE.

This Actor's PERFORMANCES in San Fran-
cisco, California, were unrivaled in success,
Admittance, First-class, One Dollar.

KO SING THEATRE,
No. 119, Queen's Road, West Point.

Hongkong, December 12, 1879.

INAUGURAL CONCERT.

NEW TEMPERANCE HALL.

Under the Patronage of His Excellency the
GOVERNOR.

A Vocal and Instrumental CONCERT
will be given in the

NEW TEMPERANCE HALL,

Fletcher's Buildings, Queen's Road, on

THURSDAY,

18th DECEMBER, AT 8.30 P.M.

The proceeds to be devoted to the Fin-
ance of the Institution.

Prizes will be issued.

Tickets—Price \$1—may be had from

Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., who will

also receive donations to the funds of the

Hall.

Hongkong, December 10, 1879.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
BEG to announce the ARRIVAL of the
following FIRST-CLASS
S T O R E S, &c.
Ex "OCEANIC,"
"LORD OF THE ISLES,"
And Other Late Arrivals.

Fine California BUTTER in Rolls.
Good Cooking BUTTER in Kegs.
Pine Apple CHEESE.
Limburg CHEESE.
Sap Sage CHEESE.
Prime Gilroy CHEESE.
Fine Eastern HAMS.
Fine Eastern BACON.
Prime Smoked SALMON.
Smoked HERRINGS.
Boston MACKEREL.
SALMON BELLES.
Family PIG PORK and BEEF in Kegs.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
Boneless and Good Dry CODFISH.
SAUERKRAUT in Kegs.
Finest CAVIARE and SARDELLES.

Fresh APPLES.
"Ne Plus Ultra" APPLE RINGS.
HICKORY NUTS.
PECAN NUTS.
BRAZIL NUTS.
PEA NUTS.
COMB HONEY in Frames.
Pure Orange BLOSSOM HONEY.
BROUGHAM'S TURKEY & TONGUE.
Do. LUNCHE TONGUE.
Do. Compressed HAM.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Compressed
HAM.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Corned BEEF.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Compressed
TONGUE.
Green TURBLE, 1lb. and 2lb. tins.
Boneless Spiced PIG'S FEET.
Assorted Devilled MEATS.
Baked PORK and BEANS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER
CAKES.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s SODA
BISCUITS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s OYS.
TEA CRACKERS.
WAFFER BISCUITS per
Pound.

OATMEAL in Casks.
Fresh CORNMEAL
Cracked WHEAT.
BUCK WHEAT.
RYE FLOUR.
HOMINY.

CUTTING's Assorted JELLIES in Glass
Pots.
CUTTING's Assorted DESSERT FRUITS.
Do. QUEEN'S OLIVES.
Do. PICKLED LIMES.
Do. STONE PEPPERS.
Do. ASPARAGUS.
Do. Assorted VEGETABLES.
Do. Assorted PICKLES.
Do. Assorted SAUCES.

White BEANS.

SPLIT PEAS.

Mess' PORK and BEEF.
BORDEN's Condensed MILK
(very fresh).

&c., &c., &c.

CROSBY & BLACKWELL'S
HOUSEHOLD STORES.

MULSOW'S
Assorted German SAUSAGES.
Do. VEGETABLES.
Long ASPARAGUS (very fine).

PHILIPPE & CANAUD'S
SARDINES. Assorted PATES.

JOHN MOIR & SONS'
Celebrated Family STORES.

Game PIES, Veal and Ham PIES.

Truffled SAUSAGES.

Cambridge SAUSAGES.

Bologna SAUSAGES.

Pork SAUSAGES. SAVOLEYS.

SALMON CUTLETS (in Indian Sauce).

HADDOCK ROES. Fried SOLES.

Kippered HERRINGS. BLOATERS.

HERRINGS A LA SARDINE.

OATMEAL, &c., &c.

BOOKS! BOOKS!

The Latest and most Popular

NOVELS,

By FIRST-CLASS AUTHORS.

DICTIONARIES,

&c., &c., &c.

"Cable Coll," "Perfection" and "Empress
of India"

TOBACCO'S.

Specially Selected CIGARS.

Cavite CHEROOTS.

Princess CHEROOTS.

Cavite CIGARS.

Princess CIGARS.

Arcoceros CIGARS.

Vegueros CIGARS.

Choice No. 3 Melisig CHEROOTS.

Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

REVOLVERS & RIFLES.

Breech loading Central Fire FOWLING
PIECES.

Electro-Plated "British Bull Dog"

REVOLVERS.

SMITH AND WESSON'S REVOLVERS.

COLT'S DERRINGER PISTOLS AND
REVOLVERS.

CARTRIDGES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, October 15, 1879.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have just
Received, Specially for
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,
A few LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S Japanese
DRESSING GOWNS,
Very Richly Embroidered.
Hongkong, December 10, 1879. del17

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,
in Quarts and Pints.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE,
awarded the
GOLD MEDAL AT THE PARIS EXHIBITION.
DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX:
Quarts.....\$17 per Case of 1 doz.
Pints.....\$18.....of 2 doz.
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21/e80

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Morey having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Hongkong, December 6, 1879. del18

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Arratoon Apcar, Captain A.
B. MacTavish, having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by
her are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery
of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

Consignees are also hereby informed that
any Claims must be made immediately, an-
none will be entertained after the 13th
Instant.

D. SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 5, 1879. del14

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "NIIGATA MARU" FROM
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Vessel are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersignature,
and take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or re-
mainding on board after TUESDAY, the
9th instant, will be landed and stored at
Consignees' expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,
6, Queen's Road Central,

Hongkong, December 8, 1879. del15

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. A N A D Y R.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.
Gange, from London, in connec-
tion with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be
obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before To-morrow (Friday), the
12th Inst., at Noon, requesting it to be
landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Cargo remaining unclaimed after Thurs-
day, the 18th instant, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 11, 1879. del18

BRITISH SHIP BELTED WILL,
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Vessel are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for
countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 1, 1879. del19

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:-

OSBORN, German barque, Captain S. S.
Schmidt.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Binge.—
Meichers & Co.

HONKOK, German 3-masted schooner,
Captain Carl Oom.—Weiser & Co.

PRIMO, German barque, Capt. Seekamp.—
Siemens & Co.

PRIMUS, Russian ship, Captain Th. W.
Bergman.—Order.

UNDINE, German barque, Captain F.
Kruse.—Meichers & Co.

MOSES B. TOWER, American barkentine,
Capt. C. Hall.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ALICE REED, American barque, Capt. J.
H. Kilburn.—Meichers & Co.

ANT TURNER, American barque, Captain
A. W. Newell.—Russell & Co.

JOHN NICHOLSON, British ship, Capt. T.
B. P. Campbell.—Messageries Maritimes.

LAUREN, British barque, Capt. Johnson.—
Gibb, Livingston & Co.

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Breech loading Central Fire FOWLING
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CARTRIDGES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, October 15, 1879.

Intimations.

LOST.

A PARCEL of MANILA LOTTERY V
TICKETS ex Esmeralda from
MANILA, November 11th, containing the
following Numbers, for the December
drawing:-

23 Tickets.....No. 1,940	at 1,962
23 "	2,623
23 "	3,768
23 "	4,397
23 "	5,848
24 "	6,196
24 "	7,790
24 "	8,479
24 "	9,081
24 "	10,471
24 "	11,496
	11,519

The Manila Government have been noti-
fied of the Loss, and any Prizes which may
be drawn on the above Tickets will not be paid.

The Finder will be suitably Rewarded, If
necessary, by Returning the package to the
Undersigned.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 29, 1879.

LOST.

A SMALL Black and Tan TERRIER,
answers to the name of "PUNCH,"
Small white spot on breast.
\$6 Reward will be given.

Address : No. 12, Fraya East.
Hongkong, November 18, 1879.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 29, 1879.

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A SMALL Black and Tan TERRIER,
answers to the name of "PUNCH,"
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LOST.

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.
(SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL.")
(Per E. E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

LONDON, Dec. 10.

The Albanians have attacked the Montenegrin troops and been repulsed after severe fighting.

Speaking at Glasgow, Mr Gladstone denounced the Afghan War as iniquitous and dastardly.

The *Morning Post* publishes a telegram from the German Government stating that it will immediately resume sales of Silver.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next ENGLISH MAIL may be expected to arrive here on the 13th or 14th inst., per P. & O. steamer *Kaisar-i-Hind*.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be looked for here on or about the 15th instant by the P.M.S. City of Peking, which leaves Yokohama on the 9th inst.

To-morrow afternoon a rifle shooting practice will take place at Kowloon by the Hongkong Volunteers, with the view of selecting a team of ten to fire against a like number of the Shanghai Volunteers. The range is at present in the hands of the Insurgents, but with their usual urbanity they have given it up for the occasion.

The Bazaar at the French Convent, which opens to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, should be well patronised; the object to which what money may be raised by it is to be devoted to the education and benefit of the poor native girls in the *Asile de la Sainte Enfance*. Our Catholic contemporaries state:—

"There are at present in that institution 130 orphans, besides a similar number with the nurses outside. During the year ending 31st October last, 1,002 children, almost all of them in a moribund state, have been received, of this number about 900 died."

An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon on the body of the woman found in the harbour early yesterday morning. The deceased has been identified by her daughter as Kwok Tai Yow, a boatwoman whose husband left her three years ago and went to sea. She has been living since then with a man named Wong Apak with whom she quarrelled about two months ago. He has been arrested, and another man is also in custody on suspicion, one Kwok Ayow. The inquest stands adjourned till Thursday next, the 18th, to enable the police to further see into the case. We shall give the evidence in full to-morrow. At the Police Court, to-day, before Mr Creagh, these two men were formally charged by Inspector Cameron on suspicion of having murdered one Kwok Tai Yow, in a sampan at Yow-mah-tee on the evening of the 10th inst. On the application of the Inspector, His Worship remanded the case till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The following para are from the *L. & C. Express* of the 24th Oct. only to hand by this mail:—

Commander Charles Vernon Anson, who has been appointed to the command of the *Dasher*, entered the Navy in 1859, and was appointed as Lieutenant in 1867, to the *Princess Royal*, 73, Capt. W. G. Jones, flagship in China of Rear-Admiral George St. V. King C.B., from which ship he removed into the *Princess Charlotte*, at Hong Kong, Comdr. O. J. Jones, and in 1868 to the *Serpent*, 4, gun-vessel, Com. C. J. Bullock, also in China, and returned to her in England. In 1876, he was appointed to the *Magpie*, 3, gun-vessel, fitting for China, where he remained until 1877. Commander Anson received the bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society in 1866, and silver medal in 1868.

The steel corvette *Comus* has been commissioned at Sheerness, and will proceed to sea on "particular service." The particular service in question will, no doubt, be to ascertain how far the sanguine expectations of her constructors are fulfilled, and to prove the capacity of ships of this build as ocean cruisers. Considerable interest attaches to the new vessel, not only because she is the first war-ship constructed of steel, but because she is one of a long series, all of precisely the same type. The *Canada*, *Constance*, *Coryford*, *Cleopatra*, *Curacoa*, *Champion*, *Corinthia*, and *Conqueror* will all of them be steel ships of similar dimensions, and may be considered identical with the *Comus*. They are unarmoured vessels, destined to fulfil duties similar to those which devolved upon the frigate class at the beginning of this century, and will not only take care of distant colonies, but ensure the safety of the seas. In case of war with a maritime Power our commerce would not be harassed by war-vessels of the *Alabama* type, and the safety of our ships would be jeopardised in all probability by privateers lightly armed and powerfully engined, which would only fight when pretty sure of a prize. It is to check any such action on the part of an enemy that we are forming a fleet of steel corvettes, of which the *Comus* is the forerunner. Their speed, with guns and stores on board, will be, it is hoped, that of a mail steamer—namely, some fifteen or sixteen miles an hour; while their armament is heavy enough to render a good account of any craft less formidable than an iron-clad. Most of the cannon on board are 64-pounders; but each corvette will carry besides a pair of heavy guns to be used as bow or stern chasers. The *Comus* has most of her officers already appointed, and receives her crew from the *Satsuma* despatch vessel, which is at this moment undergoing repairs at Sheerness, so that she will have the benefit of a body of men already trained to work together. Of the nine steel corvettes, six are already built and fitting for sea, while the others are in course of construction at Chatham and Portsmouth. The *Comus*, like its consorts, is a ship of 14 guns, 2,383 tonnage, and is fitted with engines of 2,300-horse power.

Police Intelligence.
(Before the Hon. U. B. Plunket.)

Friday, Dec. 12th.

A LOAFER DEALS WITH.

Otto Wenzel, 39, a German seaman unemployed, was charged with beggarism at the Docks at Aberdeen yesterday. Fined \$10, in default to suffer one month's imprisonment, as a rogue and vagabond.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.
(Before His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir John Smale.)

Friday, Dec. 12.

THE \$17,000 CASE FINALLY
DISPOSED OF.

THE PRISONERS SENTENCED.

Chun Shun Yee and Tam Yew Tong, who were charged on two counts with having on Nov. 2d 1878 and again on the 30th June this year, unlawfully conspired, confederated and agreed with another two men not before the Court, Ho Chui Tin and Chu Fan, to cheat and defraud one Wong Ming Leong of certain monies, were both convicted the other day by a jury composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs T. G. Williamson, H. W. Davis, F. A. Grubben, J. Weston, Squier, C. E. Chater, P. A. da Costa and D. Gillies.

The prosecution has been conducted for the Attorney General by Mr Hayllar, Q.C., instructed by Mr Branton, and the accused have respectively been defended by Mr H. L. Denys, appearing as an Advocate by permission of the Court, and Mr Ng Achoy.

The prisoners were brought up for sentence. The Court was densely crowded, a large number of Europeans being present.

Mr Denys, who appeared for the first defendant, desired to say a few words as to his case and to call several witnesses as to his character. With regard to the man himself he had simply to say that he had been a very large merchant in this Colony, and he had been here for a great many years. During the whole of that time he had behaved himself honourably in all his business transactions and had borne a thoroughly good character amongst those who had dealt with him. He was a married man and had a family who would be greatly distressed by his being sent to gaol; they had left entirely without the means of subsistence.

The Chief Justice: That is always so. It is stereotyped.

Mr Denys: That was the only matter which I could have put in an affidavit and so I did not think it advisable to put the matter in that form, because I think I have heard the same remark from your Lordship before.

His Lordship: Many times.

Mr Denys, continuing, said he hoped to bring his Lordship to consider the crime into which his client had fallen, as, at all events, an unpremeditated one.

His Lordship expressed the greatest astonishment at this line of argument. How could it be an unpremeditated crime when the performance of what the man had been guilty of had taken something like a year. The crime lasted from the 2nd November 1878 until June of this year. He was certain Mr Denys did not mean what he had said.

Mr Denys said the jury had found his client guilty of conspiracy and he had nothing to say against the verdict.

He only asked his Lordship to look at the matter in this light—that his client had on the first-mentioned date done an ill-advised act unpremeditatedly, which was held to constitute a misdemeanour.

That was the day the crime was committed.

Mr Denys: That was the only matter of which he was found guilty. What was done then was simply with a view to getting a heavy commission for giving the use of his name. What was done afterwards was simply with the view of recovering that commission; nothing more. It was never the object or intention of his client to secure or appropriate the \$17,000.

The Chief Justice: What was his object then in taking the boy before the English Consul and getting him to swear to the falsehoods he then told? That the loan had been effected by him by the order of his father, that he had been paid \$17,000 by this man in hard cash, and so on.

Mr Denys: He would have got nothing, of course, unless this money was obtained. But he had only to receive the difference between the two notes. The gun dealer was to get the note he had paid, \$13,600, and give guns for the amount. The Chief Justice said that the note on the face of it made the \$17,000 payable to the first prisoner. The Court did not know what he was going to do with it, how much he was to appropriate himself and how much he was to give to his fellow conspirators. And what was more the Court did not care.

The following evidence was then called:

N. A. Siebs (of Messrs Siemens & Co.): I have known prisoner since 1865; he was employed in several Chinese houses as merchant. He was in the Yuen Fat Hong, but not, so far as I know, as a partner. He started in business three years ago. He has chartered several vessels from us. I have always found him an honourable man and upright in all his dealings. He always paid his bills. I believe he bore the general character of an honourable man.

Cross-examined: I know he became a bankrupt. I don't know for how much.

The Chief Justice: You know, Mr Hayllar?

Mr Denys: A comparatively small amount, my Lord. Some \$50,000.

His Lordship: Oh, only \$50,000; that's nothing!

Mr Ray, ship broker, formerly of Messrs Russell & Co., had known the first prisoner for ten years, and had found him upright. His general character had been that of an honourable straight-dealing man.

Mr Denys was about to bring more witnesses, when,

His Lordship said he had no doubt Mr Hayllar might admit all this. He asked the question: Did Mr Hayllar admit the first prisoner had borne a good character amongst a large number of respectable men with whom he had dealings?

Mr Hayllar: I would rather not say.

The Chief Justice: Very well. It is not at all generous on your part, Mr Hayllar, but of course if you would rather say nothing— He was quite satisfied by the evidence of these gentlemen that the prisoner had borne a good character as a merchant. If he did not, how could he be a merchant, he might ask?

Mr Ng Achoy, on behalf of the second defendant, said his client was the master of one of the largest shops in the Colony.

His Lordship: No doubt, as you are instructed, but there is not a word of proof of that before the Court.

Mr Ng Achoy, continuing, remarked that the man was well-known in the Colony, and he would bring forward a number of European merchants with whom he had had dealings to speak to his character; they had been good enough to come forward to say what they knew of him. The Counsel for the prosecution would not contradict that evidence, but as he was informed would acknowledge that the second prisoner was a very respectable

Chinese merchant. He also pointed out to His Lordship that this prisoner was not convicted unanimously of this misdemeanour but only by 5 to 2.

The Chief Justice: Do you mean to say that I am to doubt? Or that a doubt in one man's mind or two men's minds is to affect the sentence?

Mr Achoy simply desired to remind his Lordship that although five men of the seven jurors had found his client guilty, two were of the contrary opinion.

The Chief Justice: No, certainly not. According to our law "not guilty" means "not proven," and nothing more. The jurors simply declare that they have not been satisfied by the evidence that the man is guilty; they do not declare their belief in his innocence. "Not guilty" and "innocent" are two very different things. I wish we had in our law an intermediate verdict.

Mr Ng Achoy next addressed himself to the very subordinate part his client had taken in the whole matter.

The Court referred him to the lawyer's letter; what explanation could he give of that? His client was up to the very moment of his commitment, the boldest of the bold. That letter had impressed his mind more forcibly than any other feature of the case.

Mr Ng Achoy admitted that if the young man had gone to the shop with the money for the guns and found there were no guns there for him, then it would have gone there for his client. But his client had the guns ready for him.

The Court: There is not a word of proof as to that.

Mr Ng Achoy thought the letter calling on him to come and take delivery proved it.

The Chief Justice: Certainly not. It proves that he said or pretended, or at all events instructed his lawyer to write a letter to the effect that they were there; not by any means does it prove that they were there.

Mr Ng Achoy as a last ground for leniency stated that the second prisoner was the sole master of this shop for guns; he had no one else in partnership with him who could manage it; if he was sent to prison the shop would have to be given up and he would be ruined.

The Chief Justice: That is not of the slightest consequence. We all understand that. If you hang a man he ceases to live. (Laughter.) If you imprison a man he cannot carry on his business. All these consequences he should have considered before committing the crime.

Mr Ng Achoy then called the following evidence:

D. R. Crawford: I have known second prisoner ten or twelve years. During that time his character in business has been perfectly good. So far as I know him he bore the character of an upright man. I have had dealings with him to large amounts. I have dealt with him understanding him to be the master of a large gun shop.

F. Sanders: I have known second prisoner for some eight years and have had considerable dealing with him. We liked him very much. He had the character of an honest man.

Mr Hayllar admitted that this man had borne the character of a respectable man.

The Chief Justice said it seemed to him that it was only men with a good character who were able to impose upon a young man as these men had done, and that a great number of men of very good character had fallen into trouble like this. He referred to the criminal history of a long time past and named Sir John Dean Paul, and others, men who had been in the very highest position in Society in England and fell into crime, using their very name and respectability, their position which made them unsuspecting, to enable them to do that which without such a character it would have been impossible for them to have committed.

He was glad it was not liable to be said that power of showing their sorrow, which he had had in his mind when he wrote that reference. In a long case like this one was sure to forget something.

Mr Denys assured his Lordship that all proceedings would be withdrawn.

His Lordship desired no promises of the kind.

Mr Denys said the \$13,000 note was of such a tenor that it could in no way be used as against any of the boy's family, his father or any one else.

His Lordship said that as the man had not the means of doing that which might

have shown their contrition and attracted attention, there was not the slightest likelihood of their case being specially considered at any time. They would have to suffer the sentence inflicted on them.

Mr Ng Achoy desired to assure his Lordship that no action would be taken on the agreement to purchase arms entered into between his client and Lo Kwok Chun.

The Chief Justice said they might take any action they thought desirable, on that contract, and see what they could make of that hopeful youth.

The expectant Major, the father of the hopeful youth, was called forward from the body of the Court and told that if he was at all harassed by or about anything that had taken place in this Colony with reference to these notes, he was to come back to this Court.

The Major especially thanked his Lordship and asked that a despatch should be sent to Canton to withdraw the request from the Consul that he was to be pressed to pay and withdrawing also the case from the Consulate.

His Lordship referred him to the Government; that matter was beyond his province; that was diplomatic.

The first prisoner urged on his Lordship's attention the fact that he (prisoner) had a wife and family. What was to become of them?

His Lordship asked if he would like to go to them at once. Somebody else would have to look after his wife and family for some time. He should have thought of them before. If every man who could plead this was to get off, there would be no justice in Courts.

The prisoners were then removed.

compel payment. Up to this point the conspiracy was successful, but there it stopped. Thereupon Major Hong Ming Leong very properly came here, where the conspiracy had been formed, and proceeded against you criminally, and after a very full investigation, after every possible defence has been put forward, you have both been convicted of a very disgraceful crime. You Chun Shun Yee appear to have been the worst of the four parties in using your real or pretended status as a British subject to deceive the British Consul and to induce him by false statements to enforce your unfounded claim against the Major. I have not thought it necessary to enter into the case more fully; all the details are to be found in the reports of the trial. You have disgraced the body of respectable men of Chinese origin who are justly proud of the protection which they are British subjects gives them. Your insolence might have been your misfortune; your conduct for which you now stand at that Bar was most wicked. It must entail a heavy punishment on you as an example to deter others from hoping to gain by such disgraceful contrivances and to learn that honesty is the best policy. The sentence of the Court on you, Chun Shun Yee, is that you be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for the period of two years. As for you, Tam Yew Tong, you are certainly guilty, but your case seems not so bad as that of Chun Shun Yee. I take that into consideration. The sentence of this Court on you Tam Yew Tong is that you be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for one year.

The second prisoner begged for mercy.

The Chief Justice: I have been more merciful with you, I think than I should have been. If you will cancel the two promissory notes and give them up to me; if you ask the British Consul to withdraw his request to the Mandarin in respect of the note for \$17,000, and if you both make what reparation is in your power to him by releasing him absolutely from all pretence of claim, you will give satisfactory proof of sorrow.

This you ought to do without any expectation of any favour. If you do not give this evidence of contrition I think you will have not the remotest chance of any favourable consideration of your case at any time.

The first prisoner begged for mercy, that if he had done wrong he had done it in full knowledge of the law.

The Chief Justice: The first prisoner begged for mercy, that if he had done wrong he had done it in full knowledge of the law.

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